

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending, in which claims 1 and 9 are amended and claims 17-18 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is introduced.

The final Office Action mailed July 2, 2004, rejected claims 1-5, 7-13, and 15-16 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on *Heiney et al.* (U.S. 6,401,109) in view of *Li* (U.S. 6,519,594), and claims 6 and 14 over *Heiney et al.* and *Li* further in view of *Miner et al.* (U.S. 6,047,053).

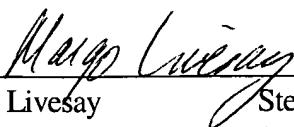
Claims 17-18 have not been rejected in the final Office Action, and the rejection of claims 1-16 made no reference to a “database session” as recited in claims 17-18. Therefore, claims 17-18 are presumptively allowed pursuant to 37 CFR §1.104 (b) and (c)(1).

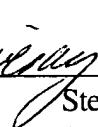
To expedite prosecution, the present application has been placed into condition for allowance by amending independent claims 1 and 9 to include the subject matter of claims 17-18, respectively.

Therefore, the present application, as amended, overcomes the rejections of record and is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested. If any unresolved issues remain, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney at 703-425-8501 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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